

1 AN ACT concerning animals.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Humane Care for Animals Act is amended by
5 adding Section 19 as follows:

6 (510 ILCS 70/19 new)

7 Sec. 19. False complaints. If any law enforcement officer,
8 animal control officer, the Department, or an approved humane
9 investigator determines that a complaint made under this Act
10 against an animal control facility or animal shelter, or an
11 employee thereof, is knowingly false and not made in good faith
12 and is made with the intent to harass the person or entity, the
13 Department may waive any confidentiality of the complainant and
14 may refer the matter to the State's Attorney for consideration
15 of criminal charges against the complainant.

16 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
17 becoming law.